

App. No. 09/945,293  
Amendment dated March 9, 2004  
Response to Notice of Allowance

PATENT

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 6, 8, 19, 25 31, and 36-42 are allowed. Claims 6, 8, 19, 25 and 31 have been amended to more particular point out and distinctly claim the subject matter Applicants regard as their invention. No new matter has been entered.

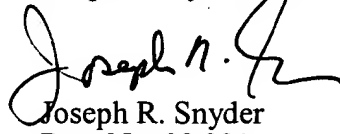
**FORMALITIES**

Applicants have amended independent claims 6, 8, 19, 25 and 31 to include "a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof" of the claimed compounds. Support is found, for example, on page 6, lines 14-15 and page 13, lines 1-22. Thus, no new matter has been entered.

Further, Applicants failed to receive an initialed copy of pages 1 and 2 of forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 25, 2003. Applicants attach herewith a copy of this document and request that the Examiner acknowledge receipt of all of the references listed thereon.

Entry of this amendment is respectfully urged since it merely cures formal defects in the claims and does not touch the merits.

Respectfully submitted,



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